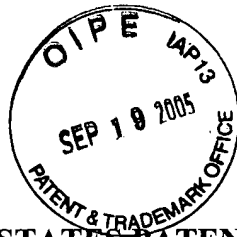


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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 18, 2005, the undersigned representative respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections of record in light of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.